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Class of 2020

The Wabash Plain Dealer is launching an interactive campaign to celebrate our Wabash County seniors! With COVID-19 disrupting graduation plans and daily life for our students, we want to do something special to commemorate their hard work and memories. We are posting photo challenges at www.facebook.com/wabashpd and the best submissions will be featured on our website and in a special section published at the end of the school year. Submit your favorite memories to news@wabashplaindealer.com or post your memories and photos to your social media page using the hashtag #WCClassof2020 to participate.

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Governor Eric Holcomb extends stay-at-home order to May 1

The stay-at-home order originally extended to Tuesday, April 7. The previous order extension, announced Friday, April 3, was set to expire Tuesday, April 21. It will now extend to Friday, May 1.

Wabash County under a code yellow travel advisory

The lowest level of local travel advisory, code yellow means that routine travel or activities may be restricted in areas because of a hazardous situation, and individuals should use caution or avoid those areas, according to the Indiana Department of Homeland Security.

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County EMA Director reports first Wabash County COVID-19 death

State to begin reporting presumptive positive deaths in totals

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

On Tuesday morning, the first COVID-19-related death in Wabash County was reported.

In a statement to the Plain Dealer, Keith A. Walters, Wabash County

Emergency Management Agency director, stated that the Wabash County Health Department was reporting the county's first fatality from the novel virus.

On Monday, the ISDH reported another positive case of COVID-19 in Wabash County, bringing the local total to 10. The ISDH reported the same total number of local cases Tuesday.

At that time, there had been 105 total tests in Wabash County and no deaths. On Tuesday, the ISDH

reported a total of 114 tests, but still no deaths. County officials and state mapping data are updated at a different point each day. The state map is updated at noon each day with the results as of 11:59 p.m. the previous day. County officials like Walters are often notified of new cases and deaths after that cutoff each day.

Previously, Walters has stated no additional information about local cases could be reported due to privacy concerns. However, in response to a Plain Dealer request, Walters

stated that now that there had been a local death, he would "see if we have an avenue to find that information out."

Presumptive positive deaths to also be reported

In a televised press conference Monday, Dr. Kristina Box, state health commissioner, said there were 505 new cases and seven new

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Manchester University has moved its 2020 Commencement ceremonies to October.

Manchester University moves 2020 Commencement to fall

Graduating class surveyed to find out their preferences

By **ANNE GREGORY**

Manchester University has moved its 2020 Commencement ceremonies to October.

Like many high schools, colleges and universities across the nation, Manchester had been struggling in the age of COVID-19 to find a way to best honor the Class of 2020.

Is that virtual? In-person, but later? Virtual in the spring and in-person later?

The university with campuses in North Manchester and Fort Wayne, surveyed students in the Class of 2020 to get a clearer picture of what they would prefer.

"When we surveyed you about pref-

erences, there was an overwhelming preference for an in-person Commencement ceremony. This was far and away from the first choice over a virtual ceremony or simply a celebration," President Dave McFadden said in an email to graduating students. "Your comments reflected the same: Most of you want this in person. As one student said, 'I would prefer any live celebration, on any date, over a virtual one!' As the one who gets to shake your hand, I couldn't agree more."

The dates for ceremonies at the North Manchester campus are:

■ Saturday, Oct. 17, Pharmacy Hooding ceremony and Graduate and Professional Commencement (Doctorate in Pharmacy, Master of Athletic Training and Master of Pharmacogenomics) Cordier Auditorium.

■ Sunday, Oct. 18, Undergraduate and Master of Accountancy Com-

mencement. Physical Education and Recreation Center (PERC).

Manchester picked the weekend before its fall break in the hope that Commencement will not need to be postponed again.

"Given the uncertainties ahead, a summer date might have been bumped," McFadden said. "The world desperately needs more Manchester graduates, and we all look forward to celebrating your milestone achievement together."

There are several details to be finalized, including how to make sure those who need a diploma or credentials before Commencement Day can move forward with work or graduate school plans. Members of the graduating class will be updated as decisions are made.

Anne Gregory is the assistant director of media relations in the Office of Strategic Communications at Manchester University.

Indiana State Police: Theft of parts from abandoned vehicles on interstates increasing

One common item stolen is the catalytic converter

STAFF REPORT

Recently, troopers from the Indiana State Police (ISP) Indianapolis District have seen an increase in the theft of parts from abandoned vehicles on the interstate, according to Sgt. John Perrine, public information officer.

Also, Perrine stated vandalism to abandoned vehicles has increased.

"Absent of hazardous conditions, vehicles left abandoned on the interstate within the Indianapolis District can be left for up to 24 hours before troopers can impound the vehicle. That time limit is shortened to two hours if the vehicle is left abandoned

on any interstate inside of I-465. Unfortunately, that is enough time for a criminal to access your vehicle and steal valuable parts from it," stated Perrine. "If your vehicle breaks down along the highway you should only leave it abandoned in extraordinary circumstances and for very short periods. Roadside repairs should only be completed when your vehicle is completely out of traffic and is in the safest location possible. If your car breaks down and you need assistance it is acceptable to call the ISP. Troopers can respond to your location and sit behind you with emergency lights. They may even be able to assist with a tire change or summons Hoosier Helpers, where geographically available, for other quick roadside repairs. Troopers throughout the state can

contact an area tow service who can quickly respond."

Perrine stated one common item stolen from vehicles abandoned along the road is the catalytic converter.

"This is often cut from underneath a vehicle using a reciprocating saw and can be done in a matter of minutes. ISP is asking the motoring public to be extra vigilant and report any suspicious activity around disabled cars along the interstate. If you see a person with a saw climbing under the vehicle you are likely witnessing a crime. The damage caused to these vehicles after a catalytic converter theft usually exceeds \$1,500," stated Perrine.

On Monday evening, ISP received three reports of vandalism to abandoned vehicles and theft of auto parts, stated Perrine.

Mayor extends work-from-home order to May 4

Long's decision follows the extension of Gov. Holcomb's stay-at-home order

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

In a Monday evening statement to the Plain Dealer, Mayor Scott Long stated he would be extending the closure of Wabash City Hall through 8 a.m. Monday, May 4.

In his statement, Long cited Gov. Eric Holcomb's extension of the state's stay-at-home order.

Long's initial extension of the Wabash City Hall closure also followed the same pattern earlier this month when the mayor and governor announced the original two-week extension Monday, April 6.

On Monday, Holcomb issued a revised stay-at-home

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Dia De Lagro rescheduled due to COVID-19 concerns

Planned fundraising event now set for Saturday, June 13

By **ROB BURGESS**

Wabash Plain Dealer Editor

Dia De Lagro, which was originally set for Tuesday, May 5, has been rescheduled to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, June 13, according to Andy Eads, of the Lagro Canal Foundation.

In response to a Plain Dealer request Tuesday, Eads stated they are "waiting on government instruction" in terms of safety measures resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

"As they come out with those requirements we will make sure that we follow them all," stated Eads.

Comedian and Wabash County celebrity, Michael Palascak, is set to bring laughter to Lagro as the

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Queen Elizabeth II marks her 94th birthday without fanfare

LONDON (AP) — Britain marked Queen Elizabeth II's 94th birthday with silence Tuesday, as the nation in lockdown amid the COVID-19 pandemic forgoes the usual gun salutes and ringing of bells.

With thousands dead amid the outbreak, the monarch decided that the celebratory display of military firepower would not be appropriate. Nor will there be a celebratory peal of bells at Westminster Abbey, as the church

where the queen was married and crowned is currently closed.

The royal family took to social media to share images of Elizabeth as she marked the occasion — but in keeping with social distancing rules, there were no visits.

Prince Harry and his wife Meghan, joined by their son Archie Mountbatten-Windsor, held a video call with to wish her a happy birthday. Other family members were also expected to telephone

and video call the monarch privately to deliver their birthday messages.

The royal family also shared private family footage of the monarch as a young princess. The Royal Collection Trust archive film showed Elizabeth playing on a seesaw and in a garden with her sister, the late Princess Margaret.

The queen will mark the day with her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, 98, at Windsor Castle in Berkshire.

Coronavirus forces cancellation of iconic events like Oktoberfest

Germany calls off major cultural event and U.S. cancels National Spelling Bee in June

By COLLEEN LONG, CARA ANNA and JAN M. OLSEN
Associated Press

COPENHAGEN — Spain canceled the Running of the Bulls in July, the U.S. scrapped the national spelling bee in June and Germany even called off Oktoberfest, making it clear Tuesday that the effort to beat back the coronavirus and return to normal could be a long and dispiriting process.

Amid growing impatience over the shutdowns that have thrown millions out of work, European countries continued to reopen in stages, while in the U.S., one state after another — mostly ones led by Republican governors — outlined plans to gradually get back to business in the coming days.

The push to reopen has set off warnings from health authorities and politicians that the crisis that has killed well over 170,000 people worldwide is far from over, with deaths still mounting, and that relaxing the stay-at-home restrictions too quickly could enable the virus to come storming back.

The economic damage mounted as stocks dropped around the world and oil prices suffered an epic collapse.

A barrel of U.S. oil to be delivered in May was \$5.38 in morning trading, or about the cost of a fancy latte. A day earlier, the price was negative for the time ever, with the market so glutted with oil and running out of places to store it that sellers were essentially offering to pay buyers almost \$38 a barrel just to take it off their hands.

Meanwhile, U.N. leaders called for efforts to ensure that all people have access to testing, medical supplies, drugs and future vaccines, especially in developing countries where virus cases are rising.

African officials have been outspoken about the need for medical supplies across the 54-nation continent, where health care systems are weak and could become overwhelmed.

Even under a best-case scenario, Africa will need \$44 billion for testing, personal protective equipment and treatment of coronavirus, according to a U.N. report. The worst-case scenario estimates \$446 billion. The continent has recorded more than 1,100 deaths.

In Europe, Denmark, Austria, Spain and Germany began allowing some people back to work, including hairdressers, dentists and construction workers, and some stores were cleared to reopen.

Spain, which is among the worst-hit countries, will also begin allowing children out of their homes for brief periods next Monday. Denmark's Tivoli Gardens, the Copenhagen amusement park that inspired Walt Disney, will reopen on May 11.

In Austria, Chancellor Sebastian Kurz said all shops will be up and running at the beginning of May and restaurants in mid-May. He said the government will watch closely and will "pull the emergency brake if that is necessary."

But in an indication that it will be a long time before life returns to normal, Spain canceled its Running of the Bulls in Pamplona, the more than 400-year-old event made world-famous by Ernest Hemingway's 1926 novel "The Sun Also Rises." It was also called off during the Spanish Civil War in the 1930s.

The U.S. canceled the Scripps National Spelling Bee. The competition has been held since 1925 and was scrubbed only once before — in 1943-45, because of World War II.

"Our hearts go out to the spellers who won't get their final shot at winning because of the pandemic and the difficult decisions it is prompting us to make," said Paige Kimble, executive director.

The U.S. has recorded more than 42,000 deaths — the highest in the world — and nearly 800,000 infections, according to a Johns Hopkins University count,

though the true figures around the world is believed much higher, in part because of limited testing, difficulties in counting the dead and efforts by some governments to hide the extent of their outbreaks.

Germany called off the world-famous, centuries-old Oktoberfest beer festival in Munich, which draws about 6 million visitors each year in the fall.

"We agreed that the risk is simply too high," Bavarian governor Markus Soeder said.

In Italy, Premier Giuseppe Conte confirmed that businesses can start reopening on May 4 but doused any hopes of a full end to the country's strict lockdown.

In the U.S., some states, including Georgia, South Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia and Colorado, announced plans to begin reopening in stages in the coming days, despite the concerns of health officials. Boeing and at least one other American heavy equipment manufacturer resumed production.

But governors and local officials from many other states said they lack necessary testing supplies and warned they could get hit by a second wave of infections.


And the experience in places like China makes it clear that businesses will not necessarily spring back to life once they get the all-clear. Customers may be hesitant to go out, and some businesses may not see any financial sense in opening up right away.

Kristin Allin, who with her husband owns Bread and Butterfly restaurant and Proof Bakeshop in Atlanta, said they were caught off guard when Georgia Gov. Brian Kemp announced Monday that restaurants could reopen for dine-in service within a week.


"We didn't expect to have this conversation at all until probably the end of May at the earliest, so having it so soon is a shock," Allin said, adding that they still do not plan to open right away and could remain closed for a month or more.

"I think most of our customers are not ready to venture out yet," she said.


5-Day Weather Summary




Wednesday
Chance Showers
67 / 48




Thursday
Few Showers
61 / 44



Friday
Mostly Cloudy
59 / 45




Saturday
Few Showers
56 / 40





Sunday
Few Showers
53 / 38


Sun and Moon

Today's sunset 8:35 p.m.
Tomorrow's sunrise 6:56 a.m.

New 4/22

First 4/30

Full 5/7

Last 5/14

Detailed Local Outlook

Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a 30% chance of showers, high temperature of 67°, humidity of 40%. South wind 5 to 15 mph. Expect mostly cloudy skies tonight with a 50% chance of showers, overnight low of 48°. South southwest wind 5 to 13 mph.

Several options for Osteoporosis treatment

DEAR DOCTOR: I just read your column about bone density tests and want to know your thoughts on medications for osteoporosis. Is it better to take calcium and vitamin D and engage in exercise or to risk the medications' side effects?

DEAR READER: Yours is one of a number of letters we received about treatment for osteoporosis. It's a subject of great importance to all women, particularly as they reach perimenopause and menopause. The increased risk of osteoporosis at that time of life is due to the drop in estrogen production by the ovaries. Estrogen plays a key role in the ongoing cycle of bone deposit and bone loss and keeps the balance in favor of bone strength. As estrogen levels drop, bone loss speeds up. That's why the bone density tests we wrote about recently are necessary. They give each woman an idea of the changes her skeleton is undergoing and point to the appropriate treatment.

Elizabeth Ko & Eve Glazier
Ask the Doctors



As a reminder, bone density test results include a scale known as a T-score, which is a comparison to the bone density of a healthy 30-year-old adult. The lower the number in someone's T-score, the lower their bone density. A T-score of -1 and above is considered to be normal. Scores of -1 to -2.4 equal low bone density, also known as osteopenia. The tipping point into osteoporosis is a score of -2.5 and lower. (Because the scores are rendered in negative numbers, the larger numbers actually equal a lower score.) Guidelines suggest that when someone's T-score indicates osteoporosis, a class of medications known as bisphosphonates should be considered. They work by inhibiting the breakdown of minerals, including calcium, which help give bone its strength.

Several readers mentioned concerns about the potential side effects of these medications, which have made news in recent years. Bisphosphonates are available in pill form and as an IV infusion. Side effects of both forms of this medication can include pain in the bones, muscles and joints. People who take the drug in tablet form have reported difficulty swallowing, nausea, heartburn, irritation to the esophagus and gastric ulcer. A condition known as osteonecrosis of the jaw, in which the jaw bone becomes exposed and fails to heal properly, has been reported in some cases. However, this is rare — we've never seen this in our own practices — and research suggests it's more common among patients receiving high doses of IV bisphosphonates. We have many patients on bisphosphonates, and in our experience, they are generally very well-tolerated.

To decide what's right for you, we think you should begin by sharing your concerns about these medications with your doctor. Your T-score, along with your medical history, will help guide the direction your

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treatment should take.

Bisphosphonates are typically prescribed along with calcium and vitamin D, both of which help to preserve and protect bones. We also recommend that our patients engage in weight-bearing and high-impact exercise, which has been shown to strengthen and preserve bone. Be sure to check with your doctor for guidance on the specific exercise and intensity level that's right for your specific needs.

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Readers' Choice

2020

Due to the COVID-19 and difficult times we all are experiencing in Wabash County at the present time, the Wabash Plain Dealer has made the decision to postpone the selection of the Reader's Choice winners.

We will be re-running the ballot pages for you to submit your ballots for your favorite places at a later date to be announced.

READERS' CHOICE REPORTS

MONDAY'S LOTTERIES

Cash 5
07-10-13-30-44
Estimated jackpot: \$90,000
Cash4Life
11-17-20-22-52, Cash Ball: 1
Daily Three-Midday
1-5-5, SB: 2
Daily Three-Evening
9-0-9, SB: 2
Daily Four-Midday
2-6-3-6, SB: 2
Daily Four-Evening
3-9-4-6, SB: 2
Mega Millions
Estimated jackpot: \$164 million
Powerball
Estimated jackpot: \$29 million

TUESDAY'S METALS

Aluminum.....66
Copper.....2.34
Lead......75
Zinc......88
Gold.....1,681.71
Silver.....14.79
Platinum.....739.74

AREA GRAIN

Estimated grain prices
Tuesday at Indianapolis-area elevators: Corn: \$2.19.
Soybeans: \$8.16.

Obituaries

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Rev. Bill Moon

1932-2020

The Reverend Dr. Bill Moon lost his battle with Alzheimer’s disease on April 17, 2020. Born in 1932 in Gillespie, Illinois, he was the youngest son of George and Mildred Moon. Preceded in death by his brothers James V. (Dorothy) And Norman (Shirley), Reverend Moon is survived by his wife Nancy, sons Scott (Erica) and Troy (Gretchen), and daughter Joy. He was the proud grandfather of Sebastian, Nathaniel, and Teagan, and the loving Uncle Bill to numerous nieces and nephews.



After serving four years in the United States Air Force, Bill attended Southern Illinois University, and continued on to Garrett Theological Seminary at Northwestern University. Later, he completed his doctorate at McCormick Theological Seminary.

Pastor Bill had a rare ability to communicate with people in intimate one-on-one conversations as well as connecting with individuals in worship settings. He established strong youth groups, as he possessed a loving, humble and nurtured character. He is often remembered for his first person characterizations of biblical figures such as John the Baptist, calling on Nancy to create and sew the costumes. He was also known for his complete inability to carry a tune, despite his great love of music and singing. He accepted such shortcomings with humility and humor, which is how he fought the disease that took his life.

A celebration of life will be scheduled at a later time, but donations in his memory may be made to Alzheimer’s Association at www.alz.org. Condolences may be sent to Nancy Moon, 1248 Freedom Blvd., West Brandywine, PA 19320.

Mark A. Thompson

Mark A. Thompson, 57, of Peru, passed away at his residence. Born in Peru, Indiana, on April 6, 1963 to Robert and Bertha (Prather) Thompson.

A drive-thru visitation will be Friday, April 24, 2020 from 10 a.m. to noon at McClain Funeral Home, 3500 West State Road 16, Denver, IN. Please bring your name

printed on a piece of paper to add to the guestbook and enter the parking lot through the west drive. Graveside services to follow at Rankin Cemetery, Miami County.

Condolences may be left online at www.mcclainfuneralhome.com. McClain Funeral Home, Denver, Indiana, has been entrusted with arrangements.

Roger D. Fife

Roger D. Fife, 76, of Wabash, passed away on Monday, April 20, 2020.

Roger married Peggy J. Blair on Nov. 27, 1963; she passed away on Nov. 19, 2000. Roger retired from Ford Meter Box after 37 years of service.

Roger is survived by one son, Chris (Brandi) Fife; and one daughter Kelli Stamper.

Graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 23, 2020 at Memorial Lawns Cemetery.

Arrangements have been entrusted to McDonald Funeral Home, 231 Falls Ave., Wabash.

We encourage you to give the family your love and support by visiting our website at www.mcdonaldfunerals.com.

Roddy Lee ‘Rod’ Dias

Private family funeral services for Roddy Lee “Rod” Dias, 70, of Wabash, were 2 p.m., Monday, April 20, 2020, at Grandstaff-Hentgen Funeral Service, Wabash. Pastor Tim Prater officiated.

Memories were shared by

friends and family. Pallbearers were Janson D. Sullivan, Joe C. Shepherd, Dan Robbins, Alek Sullivan, Tom Workman, and Cameron Sullivan. Entombment was in The Chapel of Remembrance at Memorial Lawns Cemetery, Wabash.

Oil’s chaotic collapse deepens; stocks drop

By STAN CHOE, DAMIAN J. TROISE and ALEX VEIGA

AP Business Writers

NEW YORK — Oil prices crumpled even further Tuesday, and U.S. stocks sank to their worst loss in weeks as worries swept markets worldwide about the economic carnage caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

The market’s spotlight was again on oil, where prices have plummeted because very few people are flying or driving, and factories have shut amid widespread stay-at-home orders. Global demand is set to drop to levels last seen in the mid 1990s. At the same time, oil producers can’t slow their production fast enough, and all the extra crude means storage tanks are quickly running out of room.

The cost for a barrel of U.S. oil to be delivered in June plunged 43 percent to \$11.57. That’s the part of the market that oil traders are focused on and trading most actively. For oil to be delivered next month, which is when storage tanks could top out, the cost of a barrel stood at \$10.01. A day earlier, it fell below zero for the first time, meaning traders paid others to take oil off their hands to get rid of the headache of finding where to store it.

Analysts consider prices for U.S. oil to be delivered in June and later as closer to the “true” price of crude, along with prices for international oils. They did not drop below zero, in part because the storage issues aren’t as pressing for them. But they also slid Tuesday on the same concern: A global economy incapacitated by the virus outbreak doesn’t need to burn as much fuel.

Brent crude, the international stan-

dard, for delivery in June lost 24.4 percent to \$19.33 per barrel.

“I don’t think there’s enough time even before the June contract to solve the storage capacity issue, so you see the June contract coming down sharply,” said David Joy, chief market strategist at Ameriprise Financial.

The crumbling oil market helped drag stocks to their second straight day of losses, and the S&P 500 lost 3.1 percent for its worst drop since April 1. It followed up on similar declines across Europe and Asia.

The S&P 500 fell 86.60 points to 2,736.56. The losses were widespread, with 94 percent of stocks in the index down. Even shares of some recent winners in the new stuck-at-home economy dropped. Netflix slipped 0.8 percent before it announced its quarterly results after trading close, including a 23 percent rise in global memberships.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 631.56 points, or 2.7 percent, to 23,018.88, and the Nasdaq was down 297.50, or 3.5 percent, to 8,263.23.

“The markets have largely escaped panic mode but are not out of the volatility yet,” said Brian Nick, chief investment strategist for Nuveen.

In another sign of the concern washing over markets, Treasury yields fell further. The yield on the 10-year Treasury dropped to 0.56 percent from 0.62 percent late Monday, meaning investors are willing to get paid even less to get the safety of owning a U.S. government bond.

Even with all the chaos in the oil markets, some signs of economic activity on the horizon were poking through elsewhere. Congress reached a tentative agreement with President

Donald Trump on a nearly \$500 billion proposal to provide more loans to small businesses and aid to hospitals. Georgia’s governor, meanwhile, announced plans late Monday to allow gyms, hair salons and other businesses to reopen as early as Friday.

Rising optimism among some investors that parts of the economy could reopen as infections level off have helped stocks rally recently, and the S&P 500 is up more than 22 percent since hitting a low in late March. The rally got its start after the Federal Reserve and Congress promised massive amounts of aid for the economy.

“It looks like we’re bending the infection curve, there are signs of economic reopening and the stimulus is there,” said Rob Haworth, senior investment strategist at U.S. Bank Wealth Management. “All of which are good signs for the markets where there’s a potential scenario where the economy starts to recover.”

But the data coming in on the economy continues to be dismal, including a Tuesday report that showed the steepest drop for U.S. sales of previously occupied homes since 2015. Pessimists say the market’s rally has been overdone and that a premature reopening of the economy could lead to only more flareups of infections.

Companies are also describing the hit to earnings they’re taking due to the outbreak, with many pulling their financial forecasts for the year given all the uncertainty about how long this recession will last. Coca-Cola said Tuesday that its sales were on track to hit financial targets through February, but that all changed when stay-at-home orders became widespread in March.

MAYOR

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order that lasts through Friday, May 1 “and is designed to limit interactions among Hoosiers to increase containment of COVID-19,” stated Rachel Hoffmeyer, press secretary.

As a part of this action, Holcomb also extended the orders that limit in-person public activity at state government offices and put restrictions on the operation of restaurants, bars and nightclubs.

While the stay-at-home order chiefly continues as is, Executive Order 20-22 “brings clarity to some essential businesses,” including:

■ As long as sufficient personal protective equipment (PPE), staff and other supplies are available for the COVID-19 response, hospitals should conduct medically necessary

procedures, such as those determining cancer diagnosis and cardiac issues, respiratory procedures and procedures to reduce significant pain or symptoms making the quality of life unacceptable.

■ Any restrictions involving medical procedures will be evaluated every seven days for appropriate and timely modifications that could be implemented.

■ Permitted outdoor activity as described in the executive order includes yard work, gardening, planting and landscaping at residential, commercial and industrial properties and farms.

■ Nurseries and garden centers may be open for business as long as they limit the number of customers in their facility at any given time to achieve the Centers for Disease Control’s required social distancing, limit their hours of operation and consider

implementing separate operating hours for the elderly and other vulnerable customers, and comply with the social distancing, sanitation and other mitigation measures to protect its employees and the public.

The Critical Industries Hotline continues to be available from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday to respond to business and industry questions about whether a business is considered essential. The center may be reached by calling 877-820-0890 or by emailing covidresponse@iedc.in.gov

Answers to frequent questions and instructions to file for COVID-19-related unemployment are available at Unemployment.IN.gov.

For more information, visit <https://www.in.gov/gov/3232.htm>.

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headliner of the event, which will benefit the revitalization of downtown Lagro.

Dia De Lagro is set to take place at Eads Barn, 4725 E. 200 North, Urbana.

Appetizers, cocktails, singer Kimberly Rutledge and Emcee Reed

Christiansen are set to begin at 5:30 p.m. A Mexican-themed dinner, catered by Gallery 64, will begin at 6 p.m. with Palascak taking the stage at 7 p.m. Tickets for the event are \$75 each, \$125 per couple or \$500 for a table of eight. For more information, visit lagrocanalfoundation.com.

A silent auction will be going on throughout the evening and winners will be announced after Palascak’s

set.

Those interested in donating prizes for the silent auction or would like to become a main sponsor may email lagrocanalfoundation@gmail.com.

For more information, email aeads4725@gmail.com or call 260-571-2428.

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deaths, which was a relatively low number compared to previous days.

“We’re grateful to see the lower number of deaths reported, but I want to emphasize that sometimes we typically see a little decline in the deaths at the beginning of the week or after a weekend, especially a long weekend, so I don’t want anybody to draw conclusions just based on that,” she said.

Box said there were changes coming to the death totals later in the week because they were including presumptive positive cases. She said this meant if a physician named COVID-19 as the underlying cause of the death of a patient, but there was not test for them, it would now be counted. She said this would push the numbers higher than previously seen.

“These are not new deaths. Rather, we are capturing the deaths that have occurred really since this pandemic

began,” she said.

Box said Indiana and other states are now including such data.

“This will give us a more accurate picture,” said Box.

Statewide figures

Statewide on Tuesday, the ISDH announced that 431 additional Hoosiers have been diagnosed with COVID-19 through testing at ISDH, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and private laboratories. That brings to 12,097 the total number of Indiana residents known to have the novel coronavirus following corrections to the previous day’s total.

“The new cases and new tests reported today are lower than expected due to a technology issue and should not be interpreted as a decline in new infections. The additional positive cases not included in today’s report will be captured in the coming days and reflected appropriately,” stated the ISDH.

A total of 630 Hoosiers have died to date. Deaths are reported based on


when data are received by ISDH; the deaths reported today occurred between April 7 and 20.

To date, 67,264 tests have been reported to ISDH, up from 64,649 on Monday.

Marion County had the most new cases, at 133. Other counties with more than 10 new cases were Allen (11), Cass (20), Elkhart (14), Grant (19), Hamilton (17), Hendricks (12), Johnson (24), Lake (49), St. Joseph (31) and Warrick (10). The Lake County totals include results from East Chicago and Gary, which have their own health departments.

The complete list of counties with cases is included in the ISDH COVID-19 dashboard at coronavirus.in.gov. Cases are listed by the county of residence. Private lab reporting may be delayed and will be reflected in the map and count when results are received at ISDH.

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DAILY SCRIPTURE

And he has given us this command: Whoever loves God must also love his brother.

— 1 John 4:21

Trump wants to defund the WHO. The world should do the opposite

Donald Trump is often wrong, but sometimes he's just a little bit right. And when it comes to the World Health Organization, there are some morsels of truth in the U.S. President's heaping bowl of error. Unfortunately, his preferred solution leans entirely on what he gets wrong.

All multinational organizations are to some extent liable to pressure from the states that fund them. The WHO does not appear to be entirely exempt from this reality. And by cutting off American funding, the U.S. President is unwittingly proving the point.

He thinks the WHO has a problem: that it's been insufficiently independent of China. He is not the first person to have suggested this, though by his actions, he's trying to make the problem worse. Great strategy, chief.

Earlier this year, the WHO was slow to warn the world about the nature of, and appropriate response to, the emerging COVID-19 situation. Much of that was due to Beijing being less than truthful with foreign health officials. (Or with its own people: Early in the outbreak, Beijing arrested Chinese doctors who raised the alarm.)

The WHO can't be blamed for how Beijing rolls. With apologies to federal Health Minister Patty Hajdu, a certain degree of skepticism about any and all official Chinese government data doesn't prove you're a conspiracy theorist. It proves that you're awake.

But aside from being a victim of information suppression, the WHO may also have been reluctant to offend one

of the world's superpowers.

That's an institutional hazard of multilateral organizations, and a truth about human relations as old as time: People paying the piper tend to act like they should be calling the tune. Absent safeguards of musical independence, pipers are always at risk of having sheet music forced on them by those signing their paycheques.

Life in Mr. Trump's current profession is illustrative of the situation. In U.S. politics, corporate donors and others with deep pockets are free to spend unlimited amounts of money backing or attacking candidates for public office. Congress is filled with men and women who owe their seats, at least in part, to their donors. Politicians who put discordant tunes on the legislative turntable will be quietly reminded of who filled their last election campaign's war chest, and who might not the next time around.

But there are solutions for this, and they get used all the time in other areas of life. Worried that universities are beholden to donors? Professors have tenure; donors can't fire them if their research yields unpalatable answers. Worried about money buying a court verdict? Judges in Canada have their independence guaranteed until age 75. Want to buy a politician? To discourage Canadian elected officials from being played like a jukebox, corporations and unions are not allowed to donate to political parties federally, or in most provinces. Annual donation limits are also relatively low in most of the country; in Quebec, it's a mere

\$100 per voter.

If the WHO, in the early days of the COVID-19 outbreak, really did hit the mute button in order to please Beijing, then the answer is not to get rid of the WHO. It's to make it harder for China, or any other government, to lean on the world's most important health organization.

We need the WHO to do better, not disappear. It should be generously funded and structured so as to be capable of acting independently of those countries, such as China, it may have to blow the whistle on.

If the Trudeau government wants a useful campaign for global health, this is it.

Push it with our allies, and our G20 partners. Don't defund the WHO; give it the resources, and the insulation, it needs to be successful and independent. Get multi-year guarantees of funding for five or even 10 years in advance, so the WHO effectively has tenure. Take steps to up the odds of it being able to make scientific judgments without fear, even when the science points a finger at a superpower.

The irony in all of this is that China isn't the WHO's biggest donor. Not even close. In 2018-19, Canada gave more to the WHO. So did several other countries, from Japan to the United Kingdom to Norway. So did three major U.S. charities, led by the Gates Foundation. And Washington, the WHO's most important supporter, contributed nearly US\$1-billion — about 10 times as much as Beijing.

The debate over the COVID-19 'washed ups'

Being in the age group shown in daily charts and graphs as the most vulnerable to COVID-19, a wordsmith friend is trying to decide whether he is the flotsam of this pandemic or the jetsam.

Whichever, he is coming to realize that his group is that which

the other age categories are content to cut loose, to leave to their own devices, letting the COVID-19 chips fall where they may so they can return to business as usual.

So be it, but let's get our definitions straight.

"Jetsam," his dictionary says, is the wreckage of a ship or its cargo found floating on or washed up by the sea, "people or things that have been rejected and are regarded as worthless."

That doesn't sound right — or, for that matter, fair. The friend's age group, after all, includes combat veterans, Internet pioneers, medical geniuses, not to mention the fathers, mothers and grandparents of the ship's crew.

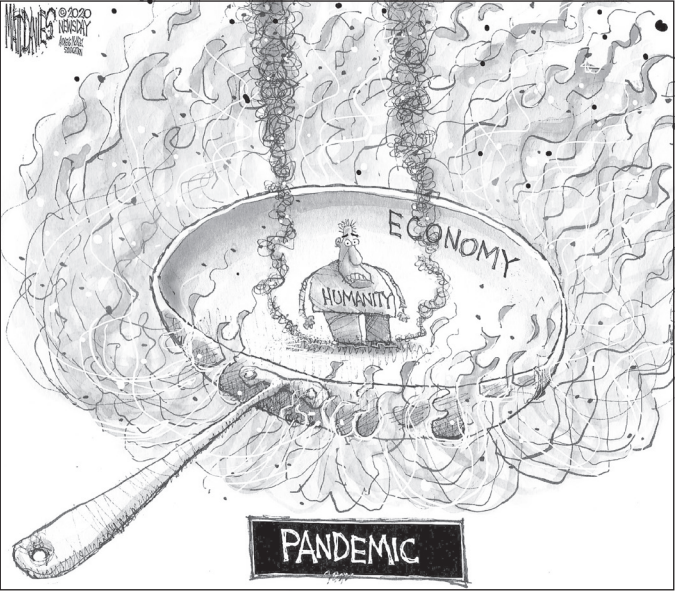
"Flotsam," on the other hand, seems more gentle, even applicable to the current crisis, a relatively gentle push overboard. It is unwanted material or goods that have been thrown from a ship "and washed ashore," especially material that has been discarded to lighten the vessel.

Much better, to the friend's mind.

But he chooses to focus on the "washed ashore" part. He would like the discussion to narrow down exactly the shores upon which he is apt to be washed. The preference, all things being equal, would be the white sands off Destin on the Gulf of Mexico. But if a foreign shore is required in the interests of social distancing he would accept Whitehaven Beach off Whitsunday Islands, Australia.

Let the debate begin.

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George Will and 'The Conservative Sensibility'

By MARK FRANKE

I don't know what to make of George Will anymore. Having enlisted in the Never Trump brigade, he acts the part of MSNBC's domesticated conservative. But is he still a conservative? Yes, he is. Will's "The Conservative Sensibility" (Hachette Books 2019, 600 pages, \$16 hardcover through Amazon) is defense exhibit number one, no additional evidence required.

This may be the most important book I've read in the past several years. Through its pages, Will covers conservative thought by applying its historical antecedents to contemporary issues. He quotes others extensively, both conservatives and liberal-progressives, as he presents what can only be considered an indictment of American society as expressed in her politics and culture.

This is a difficult review to write simply because the book is a difficult one to read. I was constantly stopping to make notes on Will's assessment of current affairs and his prescription for correction. I don't think I ever spent as long working through a book as I have on this one. (OK, Adam Smith's The Wealth of Nations excepted.) It was not because this is a poorly written book. Quite the opposite; it is that good.

And it is long. One recommendation I would make is to read his introductory chapter carefully. That will give a sense of why he thinks like he does. The rest of the book uses this philosophical basis to tackle what he sees as wrong with the world.

Will begins by differentiating conservative ideology of the European tradition from the American. He views European conservatives as constrained by their devotion to conserving (if you will) a

class-based society and the religious and secular traditions appertaining thereto. Americans, in contrast, root their conservatism in the principles of liberty arising out of the Founding Fathers as expressed in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution. Ours is true classical liberalism which he defines as the exercise of natural rights within a space of personal sovereignty.

This is a distinction with a difference to Will's way of thinking. He calls America a "creedal nation" because we developed around a set of ideals rather than tribal affinity. Only by clarifying this continental distinction can one intelligently take on the ideological battle between American conservatism and its progressive bet noire. He draws the battle lines with different metaphors such as Madison versus Wilson, Locke versus Hobbes, the pursuit of happiness versus the delivery of happiness, virtues versus values, and so forth.

He defaults to a descriptive term for all that has gone wrong with the American republic: majoritarianism. Simply put, this is the philosophy that the majority rules because that is what democracy is all about. Maybe, but Will deftly distinguishes democracy from republicanism wherein the natural rights of all must be protected against any and all comers, especially the majority.

It is on this framework that he makes an essential but somewhat confusing argument. Will favors an activist judiciary. Really? Yes, but one must read his argument carefully and get past his dislike of Justice Anton Scalia, certainly now enshrined in most conservatives' pantheon of Supreme Court good guys. Will considers Scalia a majoritarian because he looked at the Constitution solely from a

practical sense. On the other and equally confusing hand, he seems to like Justice David Souter.

Let me try to explain because this is the section of the book that gave me the most difficulty. Will argues that it is the progressive movement which over American history has most favored judicial restraint. By this, progressives mean the courts should get out of the way of the legislative and executive branches and show proper deference to their actions. This is why we have the Deep State issue today with federal agencies legislating through rule-making and then adjudicating themselves through their internal administrative law judges. (Wasn't it Mencken who defined a judge as nothing more than a law student who grades his own exam papers? Prescient, wasn't he.)

What Will wants now is an activist court system that reclaims its equality with the other two branches. To reestablish this equality requires courts seeing their role in constraining government by holding it to the Constitution and its implicit and explicit protection of the rights of individuals. In other words, start applying Marshall's judicial review principle more rigorously to roll back legislative and administrative overreach. Courts, do your constitutional duty!

While this may give conservatives pause due to recent judicial branch rulings, his point is well taken. Courts should monitor government actions in protection of individual liberty, liberty being understood in terms of natural rights in a classical liberal context. Courts must protect us from the excesses of majoritarians using the powers of government to get what they want.

Will is no less critical of the state of higher education. He blames much of what

has gone wrong there on the ideological conceit of presentism. Judging the past by modern sensibilities is a favorite ploy of progressives, something Will ascribes to ignorance and arrogance. He reminds them that they are tomorrow's past. "By [being] condescending to the past, they make themselves hostages to the condescension of the future."

And don't get him started on the post-modern worship of values. Will sees this as the "I'm OK; You're OK" mentality run amok (my terminology, not his). He fervently desires a return to the day when virtues mattered and not subjective values. After all, Will says, Hitler had values. Washington had virtues.

Will's social and cultural commentaries are on point, provocative at times but always engaging. He is a thinker of the first order, and an educated one as he quotes liberally from other great thinkers both conservative and not. (Daniel Patrick Moynihan is one of his favorites.) That is one of the strengths of this book; it is a time trip through the development of American governance with the key detours and wrong turns revisited. It is an education in conservative thought and practice from an educated man. Not surprisingly this book developed over many years, its birth pangs occurring in a doctoral dissertation he wrote at Princeton.

His recurring theme that never disappears from the printed page is the struggle between those who follow the Founding Fathers in their vision for a republic based on liberty and those who don't and are working to overturn it. He clearly is in the former camp and has written a superior apology for it.

It is our creedal nation's set of ideals, a conservative sensibility, that he despairs

of being lost to a progressive majoritarianism. He asks if conservatives have the "steely resolve" to inform Americans that their government has become "inimical to the virtues essential for responsible self-government." Why is our government inimical in this way? Because it fosters "both dependency and uncivic aggressiveness" in a citizenry always clamoring for factional advantage.

We conservatives must face up to the conundrum of advocating Adam Smith's free markets and their Invisible Hand as each pursues his own self-interest, all the while advocating restraint, morality and compassion. In a word: virtue. "So we beat on, boats against the current, borne back ceaselessly into the past." Will is clear in what he sees as this past, one grounded in and constrained by the Founding Fathers and the limited government, natural rights protection inspiring the documents they produced. Will is an originalist after all even if he doesn't like Scalia, so I suppose he must be forgiven for decamping to MSNBC.

This book is his convincing case in defense of our founding. Unfortunately, it may be just too scholarly for popular adoption. His prose is of the highest literary accomplishment and his logic nearly impossible to refute if one truly has an honestly open mind. Such people, unfortunately, are as rare in 21st century A.D. America as they were in Diogenes' 4th century B.C. Greece.

Recommendation: Unqualified. Every conservative and libertarian must read this and then put it on his bookshelf for future reference.

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Education

COVID-19-related educational resources are available

Staff REPORT

IDOE announces at-home learning initiative

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE), in partnership with Indiana Public Broadcasting Stations (IPBS), announced Monday a partnership to offer at-home learning experiences for K-12 students, aligned to Indiana curriculum standards. Developed with the input of educators, PBS LearningMedia offers free, Indiana standards-aligned resources contextualized for educational use. The resources include grab-and-go activities, lesson plans, interactive lessons and media that illustrate specific topics or themes, and support materials across multiple subjects. For more information and access to PBS LearningMedia, visit www.pbslearningmedia.org. To view current schedules for the grade level and subject programming, as well as correlating materials, please visit www.doe.in.gov/learn/2020-covid-19-remote-learning. In addition, you can visit the IPBS website of the TV station nearest you. For a map of regional IPBS television stations, please visit www.doe.in.gov/sites/default/files/news/ipbs-tv-locator-map-040320.pdf.

Educators creating face shields for medical staff

Administrators and instructors at the Heartland Career Center have been working to produce face shields for hospital and medical staff, a component of the personal protective equipment, or PPE. Anyone interested in the project may email mhobbs@hcc.k12.in.us.

Access Youth Center offers free lunch sack on weekdays at two locations

The Access Youth Center's Drive-Thru will be open from 4 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and feature a lunch sack of snacks, protein and fruit provided at the door. Both locations will be open during

this time: One on the south side, New Journey Community Church, 1721 N. Vernon St. and one downtown at the AYC headquarters at 74 W. Canal St. For more information, visit www.accessyouthcenter.org or call 260-563-2070. On Mondays, Pizza King will provide pizza for both locations.

Schools providing meals even during closures

Manchester Community Schools: On Saturdays, MCS will distribute a box containing food for breakfast and lunch for five days to each child ages 1 to 18. (The child must be present.) The distribution will be at the following places and times: Manchester Elementary School: From 4 to 5:30 p.m. at Door No. 8. (This is a different door than last week.); Manchester Intermediate School: From 4 to 5:30 p.m. at Door No. 1; Manchester Jr./Sr. High School: 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the back drive by tennis courts. (Please enter from Market Street.); Disko: From 4 to 4:20 p.m. (Look for the school bus.); Liberty Mills: From 4 to 4:20 p.m. (Look for the school bus); and Servia: From 4:45 to 5:05 p.m. (Look for the school bus.)

MSD: Sites include: Meadowbrook at the bus stop; Urbana Yoke Parish Church; Lagro United Methodist Church; Roann Paw Paw Township Public Library; Metro North Elementary at door 14; LaFontaine United Methodist Church; Somerset in front of the convenience store; Friends Church in the north parking lot; and Southwood Jr/Sr High at Door No. 5. Pickup time has changed to 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. at all nine locations. This continues April 22, 27 and 29. Even those who had signed up on the first form that was created last week should complete the updated form by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/rdaron2>.

Wabash City Schools: Schools began serving food only on Mondays and Wednesdays. Three breakfasts and three lunches will be served on Mondays. Three breakfasts and three lunches on Wednesdays. Several Wabash Cafe locations will also be serving food Mondays, Wednesdays and

Fridays, including 11 to 11:15 a.m. at Southside Firestation, 1470 Vernon St., City Park, 800 W. Hill St., and St. Matthew's United Church of Christ, 1717 N. Wabash St.; 11:45 to noon at Friendship Hill playground beside the YMCA, and Wabash North Wesleyan Church, 600 Manchester Ave.; and 12:30 to 12:45 p.m. at Hannah Park, 775 E. Hill St., Ivy Tech back parking lot, 277 N. Thorn St., and Church, 1206 N. Cass St.

Ivy Tech in Wabash's Monopoly Night postponed

Ivy Tech Community College's 11th annual Wabash Monopoly Night, a free event originally scheduled for Friday, April 24 at Eagle's Theatre, has been postponed. No rescheduling has yet been announced.

2020 INnovate Wabash County Pitch Competition canceled

Due to the extended closing of Wabash County school corporations in response to COVID-19, Grow Wabash County has decided to cancel the 2020 INnovate Wabash County Pitch Competition originally scheduled for Wednesday, April 29.

NMPL reschedules St. Paddy's Golden Egg Hunt

The free, all-ages event, now a "Summer Reading Themed Egg Hunt," has been rescheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, June 13 at the North Manchester Public Library.

WCPL plans summer reading, 'Bash Con

'Bash Con is set to last from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, June 26 at 188 W. Hill St. 'Bash Con's theme for this year is "Imagine Your Story" and free booth space is available for artists and vendors. Amateur artists are encouraged and welcomed. To register, visit <https://www.wabash.lib.in.us/bash-con>. For more information, call 260-563-2972.

\$2M in IDEM recycling grant funding available for schools, other organizations

Proposals are accepted through 5 p.m. Friday, May 29

Staff REPORT

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management announced the availability of \$2 million in grant funding for recycling projects, according to Barry Sneed, public information officer.

Public and private businesses, local governments, schools and nonprofit organizations located and doing business in Indiana are eligible to submit proposals for recycling grants ranging from \$10,000 up to \$500,000. Proposals are accepted through 5 p.m. Friday, May 29.

Grants are funded through IDEM's Recycling Market Development Program. Eligible projects must focus on reuse, reduction, and recycling methods of municipal solid waste. A 50 percent match is required.

"Proposals should demonstrate an understanding of the changing economy for recyclers and look at where monies can be used most effectively by businesses and communities to increase statewide recycling goals," stated Sneed. "Sustainability of the project is key and proposals must show a need, an increase in recyclable material collection and/or consumption, a reduction in municipal solid waste shipped for final disposal, and/or improved partnerships with communities, including economic impacts and increased public awareness of recycling opportunities through tangible outreach and education efforts."

The Recycling Market Development Board will make final funding determinations by fall.

To apply, visit IDEM's website at www.in.gov/idem/recycle/2358.htm. For additional information about the Recycling Market Development Program, call 800-988-7901.



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Wabash College's Martindale Hall, right, is the largest living unit on the campus and was completely redesigned and renovated in 2016. Students who have been admitted to Wabash College and submit their enrollment deposit by May 1 are invited to participate in a free credit-bearing course that will be offered this summer. The course, "COVID-19 and the Liberal Arts," will be offered from May 5 through June 18.

Wabash College offers free course to admitted students

Seven-week class will meet remotely twice per week

Staff REPORT

Students who have been admitted to Wabash College and submit their enrollment deposit by May 1 are invited to participate in a free credit-bearing course that will be offered this summer. The course, "COVID-19 and the Liberal Arts," will be offered May 5 through June 18.

The course will be taught through the College's Canvas system using Zoom Videoconferencing. It will feature lectures by 14 Wabash professors, followed by virtual classroom discussions of short essays and films led by the professors and Wabash student preceptors.

Students will meet from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for seven weeks "to explore timely and timeless questions about health, politics, ethics and compassion in the midst of the global COVID-19 pandemic."

The deadline to register for this course is May 1. Admitted students who have not deposited must first accept their offer of admission and make their enrollment deposit by May 1.

Students will learn to understand the value, relationship, and distinctions among liberal arts disciplines as explored in the context of the COVID-19 crisis; analyze and interpret a variety of texts that provide diverse disciplinary perspectives on the COVID-19 crisis; and cogently communicate ideas and insights on the COVID-19 crisis.

Arizona universities have tuition plans on horizon

PHOENIX (AP) — Arizona's three state universities have announced tuition proposals for the 2020-2021 academic year, proposing increases for some students but holding steady for others while waiting to decide in still other categories.

Separate statements released Friday by the presidents of the University of Arizona, Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University cited changing and uncertain circumstances for their institutions amid the coronavirus pandemic.

College seniors face job worries and stress

By MARYCLAIRE DALE

Associated Press

Sent home from college because of the coronavirus outbreak, Carter Oselett is back in his childhood bedroom, paying rent on an empty apartment near campus and occasionally fighting with his parents over the television remote.

He's handling the grocery shopping for an aunt recovering from COVID-19 and watching his mom, an optician, try to file for unemployment benefits.

His summer program at a university in Brazil has been canceled and he's not sure he will graduate from Michigan State University in December as planned. And to top it off, he turned

21 quarantined at home with his folks. "So much fun," Oselett said dryly from his family home in Macomb, about 100 miles from his East Lansing campus. "I got to buy a bottle of wine from our local grocer, and that was my big night."

For many of the nearly 2 million people expected to earn U.S. bachelor's degrees in 2020, the pandemic has taken away their housing, friends and long-held dreams of a graduation ceremony. Some college seniors have been jolted into instant "adulthood" as they try to support themselves or struggling family members. For others, it's adulthood delayed, as their post-college work, travel or internship plans are nixed for a dispiriting move back home.

And nearly all of them fear their first steps into adulthood will be clouded by a global recession.

University of Iowa psychologist Barry Schreier advises students to hold on to their goals, even if they have to adjust their timelines. And he says they should expect to cycle through the stages of grief: denial, anger and depression among them.

Axel Lopez, a senior at the University of California, Los Angeles, and sports photographer at The Daily Bruin, hoped to take a last walk through the newsroom before moving to Utah this summer for a paralegal job. He's now quarantined in his off-campus apartment, taking his final term online. The expected job offer never came.



Provided photos

The Fort Wayne / Warsaw location is deploying two staff and 10 3D printers to help meet the critical need for PPE in long-term care facilities.

Ivy Tech Fort Wayne/Warsaw producing more than 1,000 3D-printed face shields

Equipment will be distributed throughout state

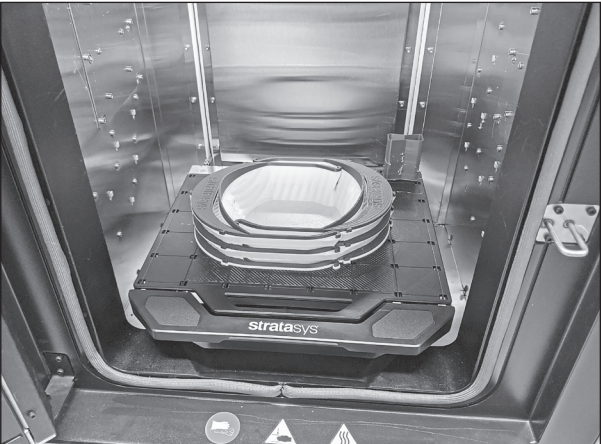
Staff REPORT

Ivy Tech Community College Fort Wayne/Warsaw has joined a statewide effort to address the current personal protective equipment (PPE) shortage due to the COVID-19 pandemic,

according to a press release.

The Fort Wayne/Warsaw Campus has begun using its 3D printers to produce more than 1,000 face shields. A portion of the face shields will be shipped to Indianapolis for statewide distribution, while another portion will stay in northeast Indiana to meet community needs and will be distributed in partnership with Parkview Health.

"The Fort Wayne/Warsaw location is



Ivy Tech Fort Wayne faculty members are printing headbands, assembling the finished product, and shipping to Parkview for distribution to long-term care facilities throughout northeast Indiana.

deploying two staff and 10 3D printers to help meet the critical need for PPE in long-term care facilities. Ivy Tech Fort Wayne faculty members are printing headbands, assembling the finished product, and shipping to Parkview for distribution to long-term care facilities throughout northeast Indiana. This product is part of a larger collaborative effort with the Ivy Tech Community College system," stated the release.

Brain injury alters friend’s personality in negative ways

DEAR ABBY: “Stella” and I have been close friends for 25 years. Two years ago, she was in a car accident and suffered a traumatic brain injury. She has since recovered and returned to work.

Stella’s personality has changed a lot since the accident. Her language and clothing are inappropriate. At 65 years old, her wardrobe now consists of miniskirts, spike heels, over-the-knee lace-up boots, halter tops, etc. She says suggestive things to my boyfriend in front of me. He no longer wants to be around her. Most of Stella’s friends have distanced themselves, and her husband has moved out of their home.

I remember how close we once were, and I don’t want to end the friendship, but I don’t think I can tolerate being around her. How can I help her and keep my sanity? – Too Much Change In Texas

DEAR TOO MUCH: Be gentle with Stella because her change may be beyond her control. Help her by trying to talk frankly with her. Explain how much her personality and image have changed since the accident, and that some of her actions have made people so uneasy they have distanced themselves. Tell her that her comments to your boyfriend made him uncomfortable, and you need them to stop.

I can’t predict how she will react, but you may get through to her. If not, she may end her friendship with you, and you can retain your sanity.

DEAR ABBY: My significant other, “Bob,” and I have been together for 30 years (never married). The past 10 years of our relationship have not been so good in the bedroom.

Bob has ED and refuses to see a professional about it. He is well aware of how unfair it is to me because my sex drive is still in full swing. Would it be wrong to tell him that since he doesn’t want to seek help for his problem, I am going to find a “friend with benefits”?

I have reached the point where I want to leave him. If he would get help for his problem, our relationship would improve, and I would be willing to stay. – Deprived In Ohio

DEAR DEPRIVED: Bob may be so embarrassed about his ED problem that he’s afraid to have a frank talk with a doctor about it. It’s a shame because in many cases there is help for it.

Because you have reached the end of your tether, discuss your feelings with him as openly as you have with me. If you do, it may jolt him into doing something for himself that he should have done a decade ago.

DEAR ABBY: My mother-in-law passed away a year ago. Since then, my husband and his sister have been letting my father-in-law stay with each of us on different nights. He’s with us every Friday and Tuesday and with my husband’s sister Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.

My father-in-law is healthy and capable of doing everything for himself. I am getting SO tired of this arrangement! It is cramping my life in a big way. What do I do? – Ruining My Life In The South

DEAR RUINING: Start making plans for yourself on Friday and Tuesday nights so you will feel less encroached-upon. And introduce your father-in-law to some ladies his age – providing he is willing. (Men in his demographic are a hot commodity, and I’m betting that he will be willing.)

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CROSSWORD

ACROSS

- 1 Samurai’s land
- 6 Hidden supply
- 11 Want
- 12 Gold Rush state
- 13 Draw out
- 14 Lethargic
- 15 Preferred strategy (2 wds.)
- 16 Edible root
- 17 Morrison or Braxton
- 18 Make taboo
- 19 Flu symptom
- 23 Like many dorms (hyph.)
- 25 Computer whiz
- 26 Narrow inlet
- 29 Oxlike grazer
- 32 Chow mein additive
- 33 And, to Fritz
- 34 Entered a 10K
- 35 Express in words
- 36 Hoax

38 Toodle-oo! (hyph.)

- 40 Boxing win
- 41 Pixel
- 42 Breathe hard
- 46 Third-rate
- 48 Gamma follower
- 49 Beach near Los Angeles
- 52 Weaker
- 53 Kitchen tool
- 54 Parka
- 55 Thoroughly wet
- 56 More crafty

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- 1 Simple dessert (hyph.)
- 2 From China, for example
- 3 Summer outing
- 4 Soprano’s piece
- 5 Tennis court divider
- 6 Tart plum
- 7 Clan ID
- 8 Cleopatra’s snake

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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KEBAB	GOOSE	
ELF	IOU	
ABRADE	LARDER	
FOYT	SOIL	RIO
ALAI	THAI	ANA
RENT	ODE	TED

- 9 Travel on powder
- 10 I’ve been —!
- 11 Corp. section
- 12 Two fives for —
- 16 One to avoid (2 wds.)
- 18 Bartok or Lugosi
- 20 Ring things
- 21 Cato’s bear
- 22 Uptight
- 24 Above, to poets
- 26 Twice-baked bread
- 27 Quechua speaker
- 28 Per diem
- 30 Orderly
- 31 Insect killer
- 37 Down in the dumps
- 39 Bureau
- 41 Unsmiling
- 43 Identical
- 44 Cowboy’s charge
- 45 Auditor’s wish
- 47 Toe the line
- 48 Two-way
- 49 Yr. fractions
- 50 GI address
- 51 Chicken piece
- 52 Slumber party attire

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

It’s expensive to explore the ocean. Luckily, you have the money.

What’s the use of making millions if you can’t spend it?

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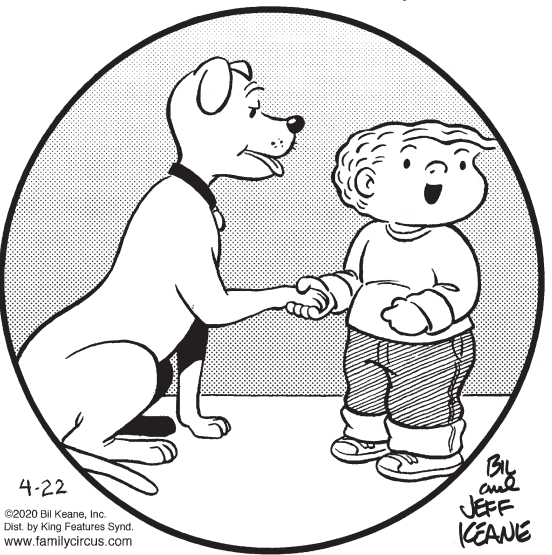
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday’s Jumbles: MOTTO SIXTH FIBULA CAMERA Answer: When he said his favorite old T-shirt still fit him, it was a — BIT OF A STRETCH

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

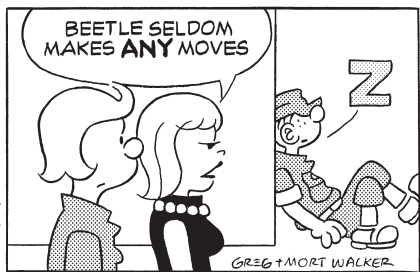
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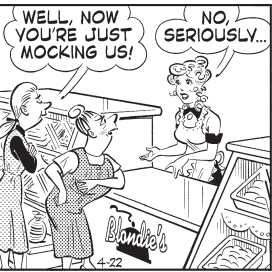
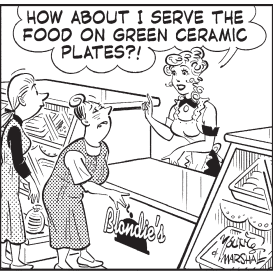
“Barfy and I still shake hands so I don’t forget how.”

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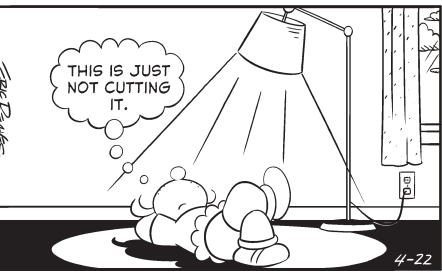
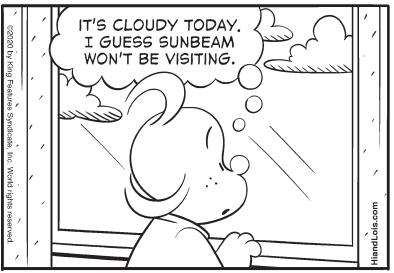
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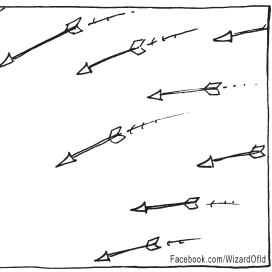
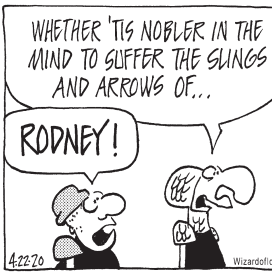
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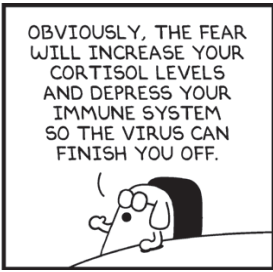
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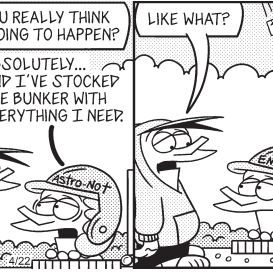
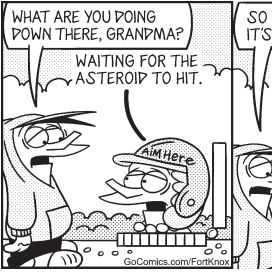
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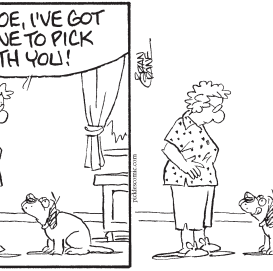
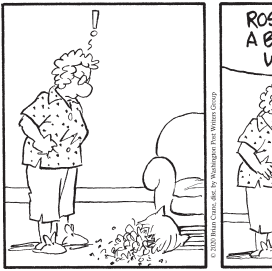
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PICKLES



Adapting Gospel to culture in the pulpit a slippery slope

Q: I pastor a good size congregation, but there are many pressuring me to adapt my message to appeal to culture so that we might grow in number. I believe this is dangerous. Am I wrong? – S.P.

A: Adapting the Gospel to culture in the pulpit is a slippery slope. The message of Jesus Christ is the same and never changes with the times. Jesus spoke to a disbelieving world when He walked on earth. Illustrations certainly can be utilized to emphasize God’s truth but the message of Christ is always the same. Jesus never changed His message to appeal to the sinner. Jesus did not change His message when He spoke to Nicodemus and said, “You must be born again” (John 3:7). He did not change His

message when He spoke to the rich young ruler and said, “Follow Me.” (Matthew 19:21). He did not change His message when He spoke to Zacchaeus and said, “For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost” (Luke 19:10). He did not change His message to the adulterous woman, but said, “Go and sin no more” (John 8:11). He did not change His message when He spoke to Satan: “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God” (Matthew 4:4).

There is a great counterfeit-

er (Satan) who adapts himself to every culture, even deceiving true believers at times. Preaching the whole counsel of God is critical. If the church returned to the task of proclaiming the Gospel it would see people being converted to Christ, and it would have a far greater impact on the social, moral, and psychological needs of people than anything else.

Be faithful to God’s calling and like the disciples when they began preaching, “The Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved” (Acts 2:47).

CELEBRITY CIPHER

by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“VP UR JRO GJSPXGO OSP PBXOS
IXRC RZX BJTPWORXW; VP LRRXR
GO IXRC RZX TSGDUXPJ.” — TSGPI
WPBOODP

Previous Solution: “Holocaust films will be made ... as long as we can’t understand what makes people so cruel to each other.” — Milos Forman

TODAY’S CLUE: n sgnbz

Indiana police shoot, wound man in parking lot

LAFAYETTE (AP) — Police officers shot and wounded a man in a northwestern Indiana parking lot early Tuesday while investigating a report of an unwanted guest, police said.

No officers were injured in the shooting near downtown Lafayette and the wounded man was taken to a local hospital, Lt. Matt Gard of the Lafayette Police Department told WLFJ-TV.

The circumstances that led to the shooting were not immediately clear and Gard said he was unable to describe the extent of the man's injuries or how many officers were involved in the shooting.

Gard said police were called to investigate an unwanted guest around 1:20 a.m. Tuesday, and at some point thereafter Lafayette police officers shot the man. He said he could not say how many shots were fired or where the man was struck.

Gard said a gun was found at the scene of the shooting, which occurred in the parking lot of a building containing Tippecanoe County's health department, emergency management agency and coroner's office.

Gard said the shooting had nothing to do with anyone who works at that complex in the city about 60 miles northwest of Indianapolis.

Congress, Trump reach \$500 billion coronavirus aid deal; Senate debates

Money would help small businesses, hospitals as nation still in crisis mode

By **ANDREW TAYLOR and LISA MASCARO**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Congress and President Donald Trump reached agreement Tuesday on a nearly \$500 billion coronavirus relief bill that would replenish a small business rescue program and provide new funds for hospitals and a virus testing program.

The Senate is poised to quickly pass it in a late afternoon session. It next goes to the House.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., and Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer, were among the few senators in the chamber amid stay-home orders that have shuttered Washington, and the nation.

Two conservative Republicans, Sen. Mike Lee, R-Utah, and Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky., were prepared to voice opposition. But they are not expected to halt passage.

Lee said it was “unacceptable” that the full Senate was not present and voting in the pro forma session, citing a strict reading of the Constitution.

The agreement was announced by Schumer earlier Tuesday and Trump tweeted his support, saying he’ll sign the bill if passes both chambers. McConnell swung behind it as well.

“I welcome this bipartisan agreement and hope the Senate will quickly pass it,” McConnell said.

As he opened the Senate, he called it a “significant package.”

McConnell will seek to clear the bill through the GOP-held Senate during a Tuesday afternoon ses-

sion, which would take unanimous agreement among all senators.

A copy of the measure was provided to The Associated Press by a GOP aide.

Schumer said the bill was made “better and broader” after Democrats forced the inclusion of money for hospitals and testing..

Schumer said post-midnight talks among leaders of both parties and top Trump administration officials produced a breakthrough agreement on the package.

Trump said he supports the measure, tweeting, “I urge the Senate and House to pass the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act with additional funding.”

The president said he was open to including in a subsequent virus aid package fiscal relief for state and local government — which Democrats had wanted for the current bill — along with infrastructure projects.

Most of the funding, \$331 billion, would go to boost a small-business payroll loan program that ran out of money last week. An additional \$75 billion would be given to hospitals, and \$25 billion would be spent to boost testing for the virus, a key step in building the confidence required to reopen state economies.

Rep. Steny Hoyer, the House majority leader, told a conference call with reporters that House votes would occur Thursday. He said the House will also vote on a proposal to allow proxy voting during the pandemic, a first for Congress, which has required in-person business essentially since its founding.

The Maryland Democrat insisted that proxy voting is “no substitute” for traditional roll calls. But he also wants to go further by opening committees hearings to remote ways of doing business during the crisis.

“The House must show the Ameri-

can people that we continue to work hard on their behalf,” Hoyer wrote to colleagues.

House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy, R-Calif., wrote Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., seeking more information on plans to reopen the House, including an updated schedule, plans for annual Pentagon policy and appropriations measures, and decisions on proxy voting.

But the landmark rules change met with objections from conservative Republicans.

“I don’t support it at all,” said Rep. Clay Higgins, R-La., one of a handful of Republicans who showed up for Tuesday’s pro forma session to protest proxy votes. “Congress should be in session.”

The emerging virus aid package — originally designed by Republicans as a \$250 billion stopgap to replenish the payroll subsidies for smaller businesses — has grown into the second largest of the four coronavirus response bills so far. Democratic demands have caused the measure to balloon, though Republicans support additions for hospitals and testing.

With small-business owners reeling during a coronavirus outbreak that has shuttered much economic activity, the administration has been pressing for an immediate replenishment of the paycheck protection program.

Talks have dragged as the Democrats tacked on the health priorities and two sides have quarreled over the design of a nationwide testing regime, among other pieces.

Democrats were rebuffed in a request for another \$150 billion in aid to revenue-strapped state governments, but left satisfied that the administration will help deliver such aid in the next aid bill. There’s also pressure to help cities with populations of less than 500,000 that were

shut out of the massive \$2 trillion relief bill that passed last month.

Schumer said Monday that he had talked to Federal Reserve Board Chairman Jerome Powell and that Powell said the Fed is working to open up the Main Street Lending program to nonprofits and municipal governments.

The emerging accord links the administration’s effort to replenish the small-business fund with Democrats’ demands for more money for hospitals and virus testing. It would provide more than \$300 billion for the small-business payroll program, with \$60 billion or so set aside — and divided equally — for smaller banks and community lenders that seek to focus on under-banked neighborhoods and rural areas.

Another \$60 billion would be available for a small-business loans and grants program delivered through an existing small business disaster aid program, \$10 billion of which would come in the form of direct grants.

The government’s Paycheck Protection Program has been swamped by companies applying for loans and reached its appropriations limit last Thursday after approving nearly 1.7 million loans. That left thousands of small businesses in limbo as they sought help. The National Federation of Independent Business, a GOP-friendly organization that advocates for small businesses in Washington, said it had surveyed their members and reported that only 1 in 5 applicants had received money so far.

Controversies have enveloped the program, with many businesses complaining that banks have favored customers with which they already do business. Some businesses that haven’t been much harmed by the pandemic have also received loans, along with a number of publicly traded corporations.

PULSE

From page A1

ISDH offers additional testing sites Wednesday

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) announced it will host free COVID-19 drive-thru testing clinics through Wednesday in Allen, Clark, Decatur and Lake counties. The clinics will run from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day, or until testing supplies run out. They are open to symptomatic healthcare workers, first responders and essential workers. Testing also is available to symptomatic individuals who live with one of these workers and people who have symptoms of COVID-19 and underlying medical conditions that put them at higher risk, such as obesity, high blood pressure or heart disease. Locations include St. Timothy Church, 1600 W. 25th Ave., Gary; Ivy Tech Community College Fort Wayne — Coliseum Campus, 3800 N. Anthony Blvd., Fort Wayne; Decatur County Fairgrounds, 545 S. County Road 200 W, Greensburg; and Ivy Tech Community College Sellersburg, 8204 Highway 311, Sellersburg. Testing is limited to one individual per vehicle. All individuals must be Indiana residents and present state-issued identification at the time of testing.

Walorski to hold virtual informational session

Grow Wabash County has invited investors to join Rep. Jackie Walorski, R-Indiana, for a virtual information and question-and-answer session at 11 a.m. Friday, April 24 about COVID-19 and what's being done on the national level. For those interested in participating, complete the registration form at <https://tinyurl.com/r3pfwea> or email marketing@growwa.com by Thursday, April 23 to receive the details about how to access this virtual session.

Closings announced due to COVID-19 concerns

- **Access Youth Center:** All scheduled after school and weekend programming is canceled until further notice.
- **BMV:** Closed until further notice. The phone number is 888-692-6841 and the lines are open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays. For more information, visit <https://www.in.gov/bmv/4363.htm>.
- **Community Foundation of Wabash County:** Individuals with questions may email patty@cfwabash.org or julie@cfwabash.org, or call 260-982-4824.
- **Division of Family Resources:** Offices closed until further notice. Visit the FSSA benefits portal at www.fssabenefits.in.gov. DFR staff is available by phone at 800-403-0864 to provide customer service from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Clients may also continue to send

- documents to DFR via mail at P.O. Box 1810, Marion, IN 46952.
- **Farm Service Agency:** County offices are open in Indiana by phone appointment only until further notice, and staff is available to continue helping agricultural producers with program signups, loan servicing and other important actions. Call 260-563-7486.
- **Honeywell Foundation:** All events at foundation properties including the Honeywell Center, Honeywell House, Eagles Theatre, Dr. James Ford Historic Home and Charley Creek Gardens are suspended until further notice.
- **Living Well in Wabash County:** The Community Cupboard pantry will operate as a drive-through with regular pantry hours, which are from 3 to 5 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays; closed Wednesdays; and open from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays. Senior lunches at Winchester Senior Center will be operated as a drive-through at the front door of the senior center from 11 to 11:30 a.m. Monday through Friday. Lunch reservations continue to require 48 business hours of reservations. Seniors age 60 and older wanting a lunch must call Winchester Senior Center at 260-563-4475.
- **Manchester Community Schools:** Closed through the rest of the school year.
- **Manchester University:** Remote teaching for students will last through the end of the semester. Residence halls will close for the remainder of the semester. All campus activities for the remainder of the semester have been canceled or postponed.
- **MSD:** Closed through the rest of the school year.
- **The North Manchester Center for History:** Temporarily closed to the public. The Crossroads: Change in Rural America exhibit is available through video on the NHCH Facebook page at www.facebook.com/NorthManchesterHistory.
- **North Manchester Public Library:** Closed until further notice. Except for hotspots, no materials will be due during the closure. All online events will stream on the NMPL Facebook at www.facebook.com/NorthManchesterPublicLibrary/ and will then be archived on the Online Programming Archive. For more information, email nmpl@nman.lib.in.us, call 260-982-4773 or visit www.nman.lib.in.us.
- **St. Bernard School:** Closed through the rest of the school year.
- **Wabash Carnegie Public Library:** Closed until further notice. Overdue fines for all times except Wi-Fi hotspots waived until further notice. For more information, email warew@wabash.lib.in.us or visit www.wabash.lib.in.us or www.facebook.com/WabashCarnegieLibrary.
- **Wabash City Hall:** All public meetings postponed. Citizens should visit www.cityofwabash.com to pay bills for wastewater, ambulance

- billing and building department permits. City court offers pay by phone services. Phone calls to the main Wabash City Hall number at 260-563-4171 will be answered by voice-mail. Questions regarding COVID-19 can also be directed to the new email address at covid19info@cityofwabash.com. Anyone with questions should call 260-274-1485 or email mayor@cityofwabash.com.
- **Wabash City Schools:** Closed through the rest of the school year. Current e-learning days include Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
- **Wabash Circuit and Superior Courts and Court Services (Probation and Community Corrections divisions):** Closed to the public Wednesdays and Fridays through April 30.
- **Wabash County Courthouse and Wabash County Health Department:** Closed to the public except by appointment. Payments and other documents for these offices may be placed in a large locked box located just inside the west basement door of the courthouse. For more information, visit www.wabashcounty.in.gov or call the Courthouse at 260-563-0661 ext. 1222.
- **Wabash County Judicial Center:** Closed to the public through April 30. A drop box is located outside, near the top of the stairs, for depositing payments and documents. The Wabash County Elections office may be reached at 260-563-0661 ext. 1238, Wabash County Circuit Court at 260-563-0661 ext. 1241, Wabash County Superior Court at 260-563-0661 ext. 1254, Wabash County Court Services at 260-563-8466 ext. 1276, Judicial Annex Court Security: 260-563-0661 ext. 1261 and Wabash County Clerk of the Courts: 260-563-0661 ext. 1239.
- **Wabash County Museum:** Temporarily closed until further notice.
- **Wabash County Solid Waste Management District:** Offices and warehouse closed to the public until further notice. 24/7 drop sites at 1101 Manchester Ave. and at the Hardware in North Manchester will remain open for regular recycling. For more info, call 260-563-7649.
- **Woman's Clubhouse:** Closed through at least May 8.
- **WorkOne:** Closed until further notice. Contact staff by phone at the Wabash location at 260-563-8421.
- **Winchester Senior Center:** All daily activities suspended until further notice.

New dates, postponements, cancellations set for Honeywell Center, Eagles Theatre events

- **Honeywell Center:** Hairball rescheduled for Friday, Sept. 18. Big Bad Voodoo Daddy will be rescheduled but does not yet have a set date. “Finding Neverland” has been

- canceled and ticket holders will receive an email with information regarding their refund.
- **Honeywell House:** Cabaret!!!, Dinner Chamber Series “Opus Two,” Conversations on Renovation and Eagles Theatre Ballroom Dances into the Future will be rescheduled, but does not yet have a set date.
- **Eagles Theatre:** Top of the Charts rescheduled for Thursday, June 18. Tribute to John Denver rescheduled for Thursday, July 23. Buckets N Boards will be rescheduled but does not yet have a set date.

Red Cross schedules blood donation opportunity for May 13

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 13 at Richvalley Community Center, 56 W. Mill St.

Farmers market season set to begin May 16

The Downtown Wabash Farmers Market opens from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 16 in the Honeywell Center/Wabash Elk's Parking Lot. The market occurs every Saturday through Sept. 26. If you are interested in becoming a vendor or volunteering at the event, call 260-563-0975 or visit www.wabashmarketplace.org.

Red Cross schedules blood donation opportunity for May 19

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday, May 19 at First United Methodist Church, 110 N. Cass St.

Mural festival seeks local artists

Make It Your Own Mural Fest, organized by the Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership and Arts United of Greater Fort Wayne, is asking artists to apply for the Artist and Mentorship Programs as part of the 11-day mural festival scheduled for Sept. 8 to 18. Make It Your Own Mural Fest is also searching for volunteers for the Mentorship Program. Applications are available at www.NEImural-festival.com and are open through the end of May.

Red Cross schedules blood donation opportunity for June 2

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from 2 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 2 at the Wabash County YMCA, 500 S. Cass St.

Wabash Kiwanis Club Pancake Day officially rescheduled

The Wabash Kiwanis Club's annual

Pancake Day has been rescheduled from March 14 to Saturday, June 6 at the Bruce Ingraham building at the Wabash County Fairgrounds. The event's Pancake Eating Contest will take place at noon. Pancakes, with or without blueberries, will be available, along with sausages and refreshments. Tickets will be \$8 at the door and \$7 in advance for adults 13 and older and \$5 at the door and \$4 in advance for children ages 6 to 12. Admission for the event will be free for children 5 and younger. Sponsorship opportunities for businesses are available by emailing Kiwanian Donna Siders at donnasiders@hotmail.com or calling 260-571-1892. For more information, email keaffaberm@msdwc.k12.in.us.

Red Cross schedules blood donation opportunity for June 6

The Red Cross has scheduled a blood donation opportunity from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 6 at Scotty's Bar, 780 Manchester Ave.

Registration for annual Dam to Dam Century Ride and new triathlon now open

Visit Wabash County has announced registration for the Dam to Dam Century Ride and the DAM(N)!MAN! triathlon is now open. D!M! will take place on the same day as the Dam to Dam Century Ride — Sunday, Sept. 13 — and will incorporate the newest and longest 150-mile bike route, plus a 3.1-mile swim and will end with a 31-mile run. The early bird registration fee for the bike ride is \$40 through May 31, however, attendees can use promo code D2DSAVE10 to save \$10 for a limited time. The price increases to \$50 beginning June 1. The registration fee for the triathlon is \$135, however, participants can use promo code DMSAVE40 to save \$40 for a limited time. For more information, visit www.visitwabashcounty.com/adventure-series or call 260-563-7171.

Indiana 105 bridge at Salamonie Lake closed


Salamonie Lost Bridge West and East state recreation areas are accessible only from the south. To access Indiana 105 on the north side of the bridge, from the south of the bridge heading north on Indiana 105, the official detour will be Indiana 124 to Indiana 9 to Highway 24. The entire bridge deck will be removed and replaced. The bridge, and road, is scheduled to re-open Sunday, Nov. 15.

Editor's note: If you have an upcoming event to submit, please send it by email to news@wabashplainedealer.com no later than five days before the event itself. Please use complete sentences, Associated Press style and Microsoft Word or PDF file formats.

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